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WITH BATTERY AND CAPACITOR

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants enclose herewith a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

Concurrently herewith, Applicants are submitting a Request for Continued Examination and accordingly, the present Information Disclosure

Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and therefore no statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required.

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Respectfully submitted,

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